## House Resolution No. 480

Whereas, Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., will celebrate "Delta Days" for the state of Missouri on February 25-26, 2002, at the Missouri State Capitol in Jefferson City; and

Whereas, since 1989, more than 650 Deltas from approximately 200 congressional districts in thirty-six states and the District of Columbia have convened in Washington, D.C., for the annual Delta Days in the Nation's Capitol where members attend briefing sessions that focus on the development of strategies for addressing issues at the federal, state, and local levels; and

Whereas, Delta Sigma Theta received its Certificate of Incorporation on February 18, 1913, since which time it has grown to more than 200,000 members in 850 chapters throughout the United States, Canada, Haiti, Republic of Panama, England, Germany, Liberia, Virgin Islands, Bermuda, Japan, Republic of Korea, and the Bahamas; and

Whereas, since its inception in 1913, Delta Sigma Theta has clearly established itself as a public service organization that strives to confront the problems of African Americans as well as all Americans through a variety of programs addressing the issues of education, health, international development, and strengthening the African American family; and

Whereas, Delta Sigma Theta participates in a wide variety of activities that include projects focusing on Immunization, Senior Medication and Record Tracking, Habitat for Humanity, Breast Cancer Awareness, Clinical Depression Information and Screening, Diabetes Awareness and Screening, Alcohol, Drug Abuse, AIDS, and Delta Academy, a program directed to prepare early adolescent females with a basic education in math, science, and technology; and

**Whereas**, in realizing its mission, Delta Sigma Theta provides an extensive array of public service through its Five-Point Program Thrust of Physical and Mental Health, Educational Development, Economic Development, International Awareness and Involvement, and Political Awareness and Involvement:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, unanimously join in extending our most hearty congratulations to the members of Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc., as they proudly celebrate "Delta Days" at the Missouri State Capitol, and in wishing them continued success as they look to the challenges of tomorrow; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution for Delta Sigma Theta Sorority, Inc.

Offered by
Representative Amber (Holly) Boykins
District No. 60
I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, do certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 480, adopted February 25, 2002.
Jim Kreider, Speaker